

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 20

By Fowler

A RESOLUTION to commend the founders, management, and staff of Family and Children's Services of Chattanooga for their honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee on the occasion of their 125th anniversary.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants and organizations that have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Family and Children's Services of Chattanooga is one such outstanding organization that has evinced the greatest integrity and probity in all its public service endeavors since 1877; and

WHEREAS, One of Chattanooga's oldest social service agencies, Family and Children's Services is highly respected in the Chattanooga community; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its exemplary tenure, Family and Children's Services has distinguished itself as a public-spirited agency of the greatest integrity and benevolence and as an exceptional asset to its community; and

WHEREAS, Family and Children's Services' remarkable success in civic leadership is directly attributable to its founders' and employees' reliance on the time-honored values of hard

work and common sense, compassion for the underprivileged and disenfranchised, and their uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Family and Children's Services is an extremely giving organization whose employees reach out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and they epitomize the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, This worthy organization has an impressive record of providing compassionate and open-minded service to homemakers, youth, the elderly, sexual assault victims, and family violence victims, as well as providing quality emergency shelter services, counseling services, consumer credit services, and hearing-impaired services; and

WHEREAS, Family and Children's Services of Chattanooga is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and the organization and its employees should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend the management and staff of Family and Children's Services of Chattanooga for their 125 years of compassion and generosity in serving the good people of Chattanooga. We congratulate them on this impressive milestone, and we salute their unswerving commitment to bettering the welfare of the people of Tennessee with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.